

# National Service in Connecticut

## Year in Review



### MEETING NEEDS IN CONNECTICUT

Last year more than 2,100 Americans of all ages and backgrounds met local needs, strengthened communities, and expanded economic opportunity through national service in Connecticut. The Corporation for National and Community Service (CNCS) invested more than \$9.9 million in federal funding to support cost-effective community solutions, working hand in hand with local partners to empower citizens to solve problems. AmeriCorps members and Senior Corps volunteers are preparing today's students for tomorrow's jobs, reducing crime and reviving cities, connecting veterans to services, fighting the opioid epidemic, helping seniors live independently, and rebuilding communities after disasters.

National service participants served at more than 400 locations across Connecticut, including schools, food banks, homeless shelters, health clinics, youth centers, veterans' facilities, and other nonprofit and faith-based organizations. Through a unique public-private partnership, CNCS, its grantees, and project sponsors generated more than \$6.3 million in outside resources from businesses, foundations, public agencies, and other sources in Connecticut in the last year. This local support strengthened community impact and increased the return on taxpayer dollars.

### AMERICORPS



Last year, more than 600 AmeriCorps members met pressing local needs across Connecticut, making a lasting impact in communities while gaining valuable skills and experience to advance their careers. AmeriCorps members serve in one of three programs:

- **AmeriCorps State & National** engages men and women in intensive service at thousands of locations across the country through nonprofits, schools, public agencies, tribes, and community and faith-based groups. Most AmeriCorps grant funding goes to the Connecticut Commission on Community Service, the Governor-appointed State Service Commission, which in turn awards grants to organizations to respond to local needs.
- **AmeriCorps VISTA (Volunteers In Service To America)** taps the skills, talents, and passion of Americans of all ages to support community efforts to overcome poverty.
- **AmeriCorps NCCC (National Civilian Community Corps)** is a full-time, team-based residential program for 18-24 year-olds. Members develop leadership skills by contributing to public safety, environment, and disaster projects. FEMA Corps, a unit of NCCC, focuses solely on disaster preparedness, response, and recovery.

In exchange for their service, AmeriCorps members earn a Segal AmeriCorps Education Award that can be used to pay for trade school, college, or graduate school; or to pay back qualified student loans. Since 1994, more than 15,000 Connecticut residents have served approximately 21 million hours and earned education awards totaling more than \$51.2 million.

### SENIOR CORPS



Senior Corps taps the skills, talents, and experience of Americans age 55 and over to meet a wide range of community challenges. Last year, more than 1,400 Connecticut seniors met critical community needs while contributing to their own health and well-being through one of three Senior Corps programs:

- **Foster Grandparents** serve one-on-one as tutors and mentors to young people with exceptional needs.
- **Senior Companions** help seniors and other adults maintain independence in their own homes.
- **RSVP volunteers** conduct safety patrols, renovate homes, protect the environment, tutor and mentor youth, respond to natural disasters, and provide other services.

Last year, Foster Grandparents tutored and mentored 840 young people, Senior Companions helped 250 seniors live independently, and RSVP volunteers strengthened the impact of 100 organizations across Connecticut.

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	Veterans and Military Families

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## At a Glance Report

AmeriCorps	Projects	Service Locations	Completed Participants	Education Scholarships	Federal Funding
AmeriCorps Affiliate	1	1	1	\$5,815	-
AmeriCorps National	10	13	132	\$512,073	\$999,134
AmeriCorps NCCC	4	4	35	-	-
AmeriCorps State	10	154	455	\$1,727,370	\$2,046,078
AmeriCorps VISTA	14	37	60	\$341,036	\$966,409
<b>AMERICORPS TOTAL</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>209</b>	<b>683</b>	<b>\$2,586,294</b>	<b>\$4,011,621</b>
Senior Corps	Projects	Service Locations	Completed Participants	Education Scholarships	Federal Funding
Foster Grandparent Program	4	83	318	-	\$1,487,278
RSVP	5	109	962	-	\$647,244
Senior Companion Program	2	22	144	-	\$674,657
<b>SENIOR CORPS TOTAL</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>214</b>	<b>1,424</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>\$2,809,179</b>
Other Funding	Projects	Service Locations	Completed Participants	Education Scholarships	Federal Funding
State Commission Investment Funds	1	-	-	-	\$249,766
State Commission Operations Support	1	-	-	-	\$265,000
<b>OTHER FUNDING TOTAL</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>\$514,766</b>
<b>PROGRAM TOTALS</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>423</b>	<b>2,107</b>	<b>\$2,586,294</b>	<b>\$7,335,566</b>
<b>TOTAL CNCS FUNDING</b> (including Education Scholarships)					<b>\$9,921,860</b>
<b>TOTAL LOCAL PROJECT SUPPORT</b> (Non-CNCS Resources)					<b>\$6,390,902</b>
<b>TOTAL CNCS FUNDING + TOTAL LOCAL PROJECT SUPPORT</b>					<b>\$16,312,762</b>

National service programs continue to improve lives and communities in Connecticut, with 531 AmeriCorps member and 1,437 Senior Corps volunteers currently serving.

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4. The Education Scholarships figures represent the maximum potential value of Segal AmeriCorps Education Awards that could be earned by AmeriCorps members who completed service in Connecticut. The award can be used in any state to pay for college, graduate school, vocational training, or to pay back student loans.
5. AmeriCorps State and National, Foster Grandparent, and Senior Companion federal funding reflects the estimated proportionate share of the federal grant associated with the participants in this report. For AmeriCorps VISTA, funding reflects the national average cost per participant. RSVP funding appears in the state where the project is based and reflects the full amount awarded to operate the completed grant.
6. Current participants reflects national service participants currently serving in Connecticut.
7. Total local project support reflects non-CNCS cash and in-kind resources that CNCS grantees committed to raise in support of their completed grants. As part of its public-private partnership approach, CNCS grantees leverage additional resources to strengthen community impact and increase the return on the federal investment.
8. Funding for the Social Innovation Fund was eliminated in FY 2017; projects shown operated under previously awarded grants.

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## Project Report

### AmeriCorps

City	Project Name Sponsor Organization	Program Type	Service Locations	Completed Participants	Education Scholarships	Federal Funding	Current Participants
Bridgeport	Campus Compact Southern New England AmeriCorps*VISTA Campus Compact	AmeriCorps VISTA	1	1	\$5,815	\$16,654	2
Bridgeport	Coastal Fairfield Co., HFH of Habitat for Humanity International, Inc.	AmeriCorps National	1	1	\$5,815	\$13,965	-
Bridgeport	Cultural and Financial Development Program Goodwill of Western and Northern CT, Inc.	AmeriCorps VISTA	1	1	\$5,815	\$16,654	1
Bridgeport	Great Oaks - Bridgeport Great Oaks Foundation Inc	AmeriCorps National	1	55	\$320,140	\$689,150	57
Bridgeport	Habitat for Humanity International Habitat for Humanity International-2012	AmeriCorps VISTA	1	1	\$5,920	\$16,125	1
Bridgeport	International Institute of Connecticut U.S. Committee for Refugees and Immigrants	AmeriCorps National	1	1	\$5,815	-	-
Bridgeport	NeighborWorks VISTA Program Neighborhood Reinvestment Corporation	AmeriCorps VISTA	1	2	\$11,630	\$33,308	-
Bridgeport	Prevention Corps Regional Youth/Adult Social Action Partnership	AmeriCorps State	18	19	\$69,833	\$160,542	19
Bridgeport	Public Allies Connecticut Public Allies, Inc.	AmeriCorps State	19	27	\$157,005	\$326,781	26
Cheshire Village	Service To Improve Community Health (STICH) Community Health Center Association of Connecticut	AmeriCorps State	14	25	\$146,005	\$345,750	18
Georgetown	Affiliate Stewards Conservation Legacy	AmeriCorps Affiliate	1	1	\$5,815	-	-
Georgetown	CL Environmental Stewards The Corps Network	AmeriCorps National	1	2	\$5,815	\$738	-
Georgetown	New York Academy of Sciences New York Academy of Sciences	AmeriCorps VISTA	1	1	\$5,920	\$16,125	-
Hartford	Campus Compact Southern New England AmeriCorps*VISTA Campus Compact	AmeriCorps VISTA	1	1	\$5,815	\$16,654	1
Hartford	Cities of Service City Hall Love Your Block Fund for Cities of Service Inc.	AmeriCorps VISTA	-	-	-	-	2
Hartford	City of Hartford-Promise Zone City of Hartford	AmeriCorps VISTA	1	5	\$29,180	\$82,741	3
Hartford	Economic Mobility AmeriCorps VISTA Project United Way Worldwide	AmeriCorps VISTA	1	1	\$5,815	\$16,654	-
Hartford	Hartford Area HFH Habitat for Humanity International, Inc.	AmeriCorps National	1	2	\$11,630	\$27,930	2
Hartford	Hartford Region Engagement Project YWCA of the Hartford Region, Inc.	AmeriCorps VISTA	-	-	-	-	3
Hartford	Hartford Thrive! Hands On Hartford	AmeriCorps VISTA	4	7	\$40,705	\$116,578	-
Hartford	Igniting the Way: Pathway to College Grace Academy	AmeriCorps VISTA	1	1	\$5,815	\$16,654	3
Hartford	Jumpstart Connecticut Jumpstart for Young Children, Inc.	AmeriCorps State	1	5	\$6,265	\$10,582	17
Hartford	Jumpstart Hartford Jumpstart for Young Children, Inc.	AmeriCorps National	2	20	\$24,614	\$42,320	-

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Hartford	Knox Hartford The Corps Network	AmeriCorps National	-	-	-	-	6
Hartford	Notre Dame AmeriCorps - Hartford Notre Dame Mission Volunteers Program, Inc.	AmeriCorps National	3	12	\$69,780	\$116,094	10
Hartford	SCA CT Student Conservation Association, Inc.	AmeriCorps National	1	3	\$4,615	\$603	-
Hartford	The Village VISTA Collaborative The Village for Families & Children, Inc.	AmeriCorps VISTA	-	-	-	-	4
Hartford	United Way Youth and Parent Success Project United Way of Central and Northeastern Connecticut	AmeriCorps VISTA	1	2	\$11,840	\$32,250	-
Hartford	YouthBuild Hartford, CT YouthBuild USA, Inc	AmeriCorps National	1	34	\$52,220	\$83,684	2
Manchester	Campus Compact Southern New England AmeriCorps*VISTA Campus Compact	AmeriCorps VISTA	-	-	-	-	1
Manchester	Jumpstart Connecticut Jumpstart for Young Children, Inc.	AmeriCorps State	2	23	\$28,484	\$47,094	32
Middletown	Trail Stewardship in Connecticut (September 19 - October 12, 2018) Connecticut Forest and Park Association	AmeriCorps NCCC	1	10	-	-	-
Milford	R01-3174-CT-LOG-XXX, Red Cross, Milford, CT (July 20 - October 21, 2018) American Red Cross (ARC) - Connecticut Chapter	AmeriCorps NCCC	1	7	-	-	-
New Britain	Jumpstart Connecticut Jumpstart for Young Children, Inc.	AmeriCorps State	3	28	\$34,459	\$56,304	25
New Britain	NeighborWorks VISTA Program Neighborhood Reinvestment Corporation	AmeriCorps VISTA	1	1	\$5,815	\$16,654	-
New Haven	Campus Compact Southern New England AmeriCorps*VISTA Campus Compact	AmeriCorps VISTA	-	-	-	-	1
New Haven	Connecticut Business Unit The Nature Conservancy	AmeriCorps National	-	-	-	-	1
New Haven	Improving Economic Opportunities Greater New Haven United Way of Greater New Haven	AmeriCorps VISTA	-	-	-	-	4
New Haven	Jumpstart Connecticut Jumpstart for Young Children, Inc.	AmeriCorps State	3	42	\$51,756	\$84,773	39
New Haven	NeighborWorks VISTA Program Neighborhood Reinvestment Corporation	AmeriCorps VISTA	1	4	\$14,136	\$40,133	2
New Haven	PAVE New Haven VISTA Project Agency on Aging of South Central Connecticut	AmeriCorps VISTA	5	9	\$52,335	\$149,886	1
New Haven	Relay Teaching Residency CT Relay Graduate School of Education	AmeriCorps State	9	25	\$145,375	\$13,450	-
New Haven	Teach For America-Connecticut Teach For America	AmeriCorps State	52	108	\$628,650	\$54,000	111
New London	Campus Compact Southern New England AmeriCorps*VISTA Campus Compact	AmeriCorps VISTA	1	2	\$11,630	\$33,308	1
New Preston	Conservation Projects in NW CT (September 20 - October 12, 2018) Litchfield Hills Greenprint Collaborative	AmeriCorps NCCC	1	10	-	-	-

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Norwalk	Campus Compact Southern New England AmeriCorps*VISTA Campus Compact	AmeriCorps VISTA	1	1	\$5,815	\$16,654	-
Rockville	CT Food Justice VISTA Project University of Connecticut	AmeriCorps VISTA	11	17	\$99,590	\$279,415	15
Rockville	FoodCorps Connecticut FoodCorps, Inc.	AmeriCorps State	16	23	\$134,060	\$272,550	18
Rockville	Jumpstart Connecticut Jumpstart for Young Children, Inc.	AmeriCorps State	2	29	\$35,779	\$58,737	24
South Coventry	Jumpstart Connecticut Jumpstart for Young Children, Inc.	AmeriCorps State	1	11	\$13,604	\$22,436	8
Stamford	Keep America Beautiful Keep America Beautiful	AmeriCorps VISTA	-	-	-	-	1
Stonington	NESS SEA AmeriCorps Program New England Science & Sailing Foundation	AmeriCorps State	4	15	\$87,330	\$199,500	14
Storrs	Jumpstart Connecticut Jumpstart for Young Children, Inc.	AmeriCorps State	2	12	\$14,857	\$24,552	4
Tariffville	FIRST AmeriCorps VISTA FIRST	AmeriCorps VISTA	1	1	\$5,815	\$16,654	2
Waterbury	CT AHEC Network AmeriCorps Program Health360	AmeriCorps State	4	11	\$64,070	\$147,730	8
Waterbury	Health360 Health360	AmeriCorps National	1	2	\$11,630	\$24,650	1
Waterbury	Health360 Opioid Crisis Intervention Health360	AmeriCorps VISTA	-	-	-	-	1
West Hartford	Farmington, CT LOG R01-3122-CT-LOG-XXX (March 29 - June 4, 2018) FEMA-Region 1 HQ-Boston	AmeriCorps NCCC	1	8	-	-	-
West Haven	Campus Compact Southern New England AmeriCorps*VISTA Campus Compact	AmeriCorps VISTA	1	1	\$5,815	\$16,654	-
Westport	Horizons National Horizons National	AmeriCorps VISTA	1	1	\$5,815	\$16,654	2
Wethersfield	Economic Mobility AmeriCorps VISTA Project United Way Worldwide	AmeriCorps VISTA	-	-	-	-	1
Wethersfield	EdCorpsCT Governors Partnership to Protect Connecticut's Workforce	AmeriCorps State	1	10	\$58,150	\$136,840	9
Willimantic	Jumpstart Connecticut Jumpstart for Young Children, Inc.	AmeriCorps State	3	42	\$51,689	\$84,457	28
<b>AMERICORPS TOTAL</b>			209	683	\$2,586,294	\$4,011,621	531

### Senior Corps

City	Project Name Sponsor Organization	Program Type	Service Locations	Completed Participants	Education Scholarships	Federal Funding	Current Participants
Bridgeport	Bridgeport FGP Child and Family Guidance Center	Foster Grandparent Program	19	93	-	\$412,046	-
Bridgeport	Career Resources, Inc. Career Resources, Inc.	Foster Grandparent Program	-	-	-	-	67

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### Senior Corps

City	Project Name Sponsor Organization	Program Type	Service Locations	Completed Participants	Education Scholarships	Federal Funding	Current Participants
Danbury	The Community Action Agency of Western Connecticut, Inc. The Community Action Agency of Western Connecticut	RSVP	20	106	-	\$38,680	52
Hartford	Foster Grandparent Program NBBBS Nutmeg Big Brothers/Sisters Inc.	Foster Grandparent Program	34	100	-	\$491,562	112
Hartford	Greater Hartford-Central CT RSVP Community Renewal Team, Inc.	RSVP	31	375	-	\$158,690	375
Jewett City	Thames Valley Council for Community Action Thames Valley Council for Community Action	RSVP	-	-	-	-	79
New Haven	Greater New Haven FGP Agency on Aging of South Central Connecticut	Foster Grandparent Program	11	69	-	\$317,400	69
New Haven	Greater New Haven SCP Agency on Aging of South Central Connecticut	Senior Companion Program	11	80	-	\$375,683	75
New Haven	RSVP of South Central CT Agency on Aging of South Central Connecticut	RSVP	19	162	-	\$210,478	168
New London	Windham/Tolland & Southern New London Thames Valley Council for Community Action	RSVP	14	139	-	\$111,074	139
Waterbury	Central Naugatuck Valley FGP New Opportunities, Inc.	Foster Grandparent Program	19	56	-	\$266,270	56
Waterbury	New Opportunities Inc. RSVP New Opportunities, Inc.	RSVP	25	180	-	\$128,322	181
Waterbury	New Opportunities Senior Companion Program New Opportunities, Inc.	Senior Companion Program	11	64	-	\$298,974	64
<b>SENIOR CORPS TOTAL</b>			214	1,424	-	\$2,809,179	1,437

### Other Funding

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Hartford	Connecticut Commission on Community Service	State Commission Investment Funds	-	-	-	\$249,766	-
Hartford	Connecticut Commission on Community Service	State Commission Operations Support	-	-	-	\$265,000	-
<b>OTHER FUNDING TOTAL</b>			-	-	-	\$514,766	-
<b>PROGRAM TOTALS</b>			423	2,107	\$2,586,294	\$7,335,566	1,968
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